

Detroit Free Press Building

Address: 321 W. Lafayette

Local

State v 1/8/81

State Marker v 4/7/81

National



Detroit Free Press, Original Building, 2003



Historic Overview:

The Detroit Free Press began publishing as the Democratic Free Press and Michigan Intelligencer on the morning of May 5, 1831. Michigan's oldest daily newspaper, it supported the drive for statehood, helped establish the Associated Press and sent reporters to the battlefield to cover the Civil War. In 1853 the Free Press began publishing the state's first Sunday newspaper. By its 150th year its staff had earned six Pulitzer Prizes. The Lafayette Boulevard building, built in 1925, was designed by Albert Kahn.

Text as written on Michigan Historical Marker.

The *Detroit Free Press* Marker is now located on the Fort Street elevation of the Detroit News Building.